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AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend paragraph [0001] and paragraph [0031] as follows:

CROSS-REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

[0001] Pursuant to 35 USC §119(e), this application claims priority to and benefit of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/733,879 [[_____]], entitled "METHODS, SYSTEMS, AND MEDIA FOR ACQUIRING RATINGS FOR POINTS OF INTEREST", attorney docket number AUS920030903US1(4025), filed on the same day, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein in its entirety for all purposes.

[0031] In one embodiment, the location-based service is a rating service. A rating service provides rating information on one or more points of interest based on a particular position, such as the particular location 110. Rating information may include virtually any type of information about points of interest (e.g., restaurants, stores, tourist sites, etc.) that are somehow related to the particular location 110. In one example, the particular location 110 might be a corner of a city block. The rating information could be, say, ratings of restaurants within a five block radius. When this rating information is transmitted ultimately to the user of the position determining device 102, the user could then choose a restaurant in the area of the particular location 110 based on the rating information. Rating information may also include a wide variety of information about the points of interest, including some type of rating of the point of interest, such as a rating by critics, users, other individuals, proprietors, the requesting user, etc. In one embodiment, rating information includes user-provided rating information about points of interest. To get rating information about points of interest near a particular, different location 110, a user could point a position determining device 102 towards the particular location 110, input an estimated distance 122, and receive rating information related to points of interest near the particular location 110. Rating services are described in more detail in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/733,879 [[_____]], entitled "METHODS, SYSTEMS,

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AND MEDIA FOR ACQUIRING RATINGS FOR POINTS OF INTEREST", attorney docket number AUS920030903US1(4025), incorporated previously herein.